

**MEETING MINUTES
COMMISSION ON CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS**

February 2, 2017

**Farmington Hills City Hall, Community Room, located at 31555 W. Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills,
Mi. 48336**

CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chair, Kathy Ashcraft at 6:04 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Ashcraft, Ed Cherkinsky, Jessica Cummings, Amber Delind, Rebecca Dworkin, Bill Dwyer, Anwar Mahmood, Joan McGlincy, Jim Nash, Marla Parker, Abby Sacco, , Laura Scott, Sandy Smith, Sharon Snodgrass and Brian Spitsbergen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jaymi Dormaier, Diane Hague, Josephine Hobson, Anthony Lewis, Mike Peters, Bette Rose, Erica Saum, Mitch Seelye and Eugene Thomas.

OTHERS PRESENT: Farmington and Farmington Hills Council, City, or Staff Liaison members: Todd Lipa. Chuck Nebus and Samantha Steckloff.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION MEETING: 5:00 PM. TO 6:00 PM.	Todd Lipa and Marla Parker led a discussion including changes to the publicity notice, plan to accept volunteer nominations, requests for avenues of publicity and ways to encourage CYF Members to nominate candidates for recognition.	
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 02/02/17	Introduction of new member, Abby Sacco representing the YMCA and potential new member, Amy Hall from Farmington Hills. Todd Lipa presented a plaque of appreciation to Bill Dwyer, who is resigning from the Commission, citing his many contributions to the Community and the Commission and summarized his accomplishments.	MOTION BY: Marla Parker SUPPORT BY: Jim Nash MOTION CARRIED: Unanimous
AGENDA ITEM: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: 01/05/17	T	MOTION BY: Sharon Snodgrass SUPPORT BY: Amber Delind MOTION CARRIED: Unanimous
AGENDA ITEM: Youth Division Update	TODD LIPA: They are in the process of preparing literature for the incoming 5 th graders entering the After-School Program. 900 Middle School Students and 5 th graders will be taken to all the After-School sites on the next school half day. The After-School numbers are around 500. Transportation to the After-School determines where the students can go	

	and it is usually limited to one or two choices. We are the only After-School Program in the US to provide transportation. The Costick Center is the central hub the sites and Dunckel and Warner is the hubs for the west side. 8 week Summer Program will offer educational trips for free for the participants.	
AGENDA ITEM: Issues Committee Update	KATHY ASHCRAFT: Kathy reviewed the Agenda for Tech Night and gave us the names of the Presenters. Jim Nash publicized Tech Night to the Veterans organizations. Kathy requested the CYF members to the publicize the program. The City of Southfield also was also publicizing f Tech Night.	
AGENDA ITEM: CYF Spotlight Show Update	ED CHERKINSKY: Jacob Nothstine was not going to video Tech Night because the format was not conducive for a show. Instead will interview presenter for individual shows.	
AGENDA ITEM: Volunteer Recognition Update	MARLA PARKER: Marla described the program and outlined the various categories for nomination. The next Volunteer Recognition Committee Meeting is before the regular CYF Commission meeting on 4/6 at 5:00 pm. and we will select nominees on that date.	
AGENDA ITEM: New Business and Announcements	<p>ABBY SACCO: NEW MEMBER FROM THE YMCA: Abby is the new member from the YMCA. She has been at the Y for four years and informed us of the good work of the new Director, Kyle Anderson. Membership is up, 600 kids are in the After-School program, 51 are in child care and they are now registering for the Summer Program.</p> <p>TODD LIPA: There has been an agreement with the Diocese to buy the St. Al's site for a Community Center. They are currently seeking partners, architects, and fundraisers. Hale Construction will hire employees with a focus on hard to employ workers including the unemployed, older workers and persons with disabilities. They are planning a fitness center and they will concentrate on consolidating human services. Todd announced the State of the Cities Address is on 2/15. In order to complete the Commissions' Roster, Todd requested the CYF Members to provide the names of the organizations they represent.</p> <p>BRIAN SPITSBERGEN: GROWTH WORKS: He is studying the Macomb County Opium Addiction Program for possible use in Oakland County. He is seeking consolidation of services in combating addiction. He is planning a small outpatient intense treatment facility for Farmington/Farmington Hills.</p> <p>MARLA PARKER: 47TH DISTRICT COURT: Marla described the recent Sobriety Court Graduation and the inspiring speeches by three graduates.</p> <p>CHUCK NEBUS: FARMINGTON HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chuck described the success of the Domestic Response Team. Nine lives were saved by police officers administering NARCAN in 2016 to persons suffering Opioid Drug overdoses. Fire Department Paramedics have saved approximately 20 lives over the past two years using NARCAN There were 12</p>	

	<p>suicides in 2016 and 8 in 2015.</p> <p>JIM NASH: OAKLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DEPARTMENT: His recent health issues have been resolved. The Middlebelt Project will be completed in two weeks, with the landscaping to be done in the Spring. He is working with the Great Lakes Water Authority to maintain useage costs. They are developing projects to upgrade infrastructure. Govern Synder has outlined the needs, but did not provide a solution or plan. He is coordinating efforts with other locales to develop a plan. The costs for the Water Resource Department is at or below budget estimates.</p> <p>JESSICA CUMMINGS: FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS: There is a Board Meeting scheduled for 2/14. Repurposing of the the School District is progressing. There will be a combined City Council and Board of Education Meeting at Forest Elementary School and the Forest Student Council will be sworn in by City Officials (this information was provided by City Councilman Richard Lerner who stopped by).</p> <p>LAURA SCOTT: FARMINGTON HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY The February Library schedule was distributed. MLK Day was successful with a turn out of 1800. 30 Parents attended 2 FAFSA nights with Daisy Cordero. She assisted one family find their information that was lost in the FAFSA system. The Library is a much quieter and orderly since the start of the After-School program at Dunckel.</p> <p>ANWAR MAHMOOD: RETIRED PHYSICIAN: He brought attention to the over prescribing of pain killers as a basis for the current problem with opioids. The US has 60% of the worlds' opioid useage.</p>	
<p>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</p>	<p>Amy Hill, a Farmington Hills resident with 3 Children wanted to see what programs are available in the Community and expressed interest in being apart of the Commission.</p>	
<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Meeting Adjourned at 7:05</p>	<p>MOTION BY: Sandy Smith</p> <p>SECOND BY: Brian Spitsbergen</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: Unanimous</p>
<p>i</p>	<p>Minutes Prepared By: Ed Cherkinsky, Secretary and assisted by Joan McGlincy</p> <p>Contact Information: Ed Cherkinsky at (248) 661-5114 or echerkinsk@aol.com</p>	

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